

Application Serial Number ~~09/968,046~~ (filed October 1, 2001, ~~now abandoned~~) ~~entitled "Intervertebral Spacer Device Utilizing a Belleville Washer Having Radially Extending Grooves"~~, ~~now abandoned~~ and ~~the latter~~ ^{10/140153} being a continuation-in-part application of both U.S. Patent Application ~~09/970,479~~ (filed October 4, 2001) ~~entitled "Intervertebral Spacer Device Utilizing a Spirally Slotted Belleville Washer Having Radially Extending Grooves"~~, now U.S. Pat. Patent Number ~~6,669,730~~ (~~"the 730 patent"~~) as well as U.S. Patent Application Serial Number ~~10/128,619~~ (filed April 23, 2002) ~~entitled "Intervertebral Spacer Having a Flexible Wire Mesh Vertebral Body Contact Element"~~, now U.S. Pat. 6,863,689 (~~"the 689 patent"~~) which is a continuation-in-part application of both U.S. Patent Number ~~6,607,559~~ Application ~~09/906,119~~ (filed July 16, 2001) ~~entitled "Tria Intervertebral Distraction Spacers"~~, now U.S. Pat. 6,607,559 (~~"the 559 patent"~~) as well as U.S. Patent Number ~~6,673,113~~ Application ~~09/982,148~~ (filed October 18, 2001) ~~entitled "Intervertebral Spacer Device Having Arch Shaped Spring Elements"~~, now U.S. Pat. 6,673,113 (~~"the 113 patent"~~). All of the above mentioned applications are hereby incorporated by reference herein in their respective entireties.